MARY V. POUNDS, : Order Docketing and Dismissing Appeal

Appellant

:

v. : Docket No. IBIA 99-79-A

:

LYNN BURRIS, :

Appellee : July 20, 1999

On June 24, 1999, the Board of Indian Appeals received several filings from Mary V. Pounds. The filings all relate to a continuing dispute Pounds has over a decision or decisions rendered by the Children's Division of the Court of Indian Offenses (CFR Court), Miami, Oklahoma. Previous Board decisions concerning this dispute are In re Petition of Mary V. McRae, 29 IBIA 300 (1996); and Pounds v. Court of Indian Offenses, Miami, Oklahoma, 31 IBIA 308 (1997), recon. denied, 32 IBIA 60, 32 IBIA 89 (1998), appeal dismissed as to Federal defendants, Pounds v. Clinton, No. CV 98-5188 LGB (MCX) (C.D.Calif. Apr. 30, 1999). 1/

One filing (made in triplicate) attempts to bring a criminal complaint against Lynn Burris for judicial misconduct resulting from alleged violation of several sections of 25 C.F.R. Part 11, and several provisions of Titles 18 and 28 of the United States Code.

As the Board has stated in each of the prior cases filed by Pounds, it is not a court of general jurisdiction. It has only that authority delegated to it by the Secretary of the Interior. See 43 C.F.R. § 4.1(b)(2). The Board has not been delegated any criminal jurisdiction. Nor has it been delegated authority to review the conduct of judges serving on a CFR Court under 25 C.F.R. Part 11. It therefore lacks jurisdiction to address this complaint.

Two additional documents attempt to bring criminal complaints against Mr. Burris for judicial misconduct and against Dee Killion for fraud and deceit. These documents appear to

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<u>1</u>/ Pounds may have appealed the district court's dismissal order to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. However, the Board does not have any documentation in regard to an appeal.

have been intended as filings in the CFR Court. The CFR Court is not part of the Board. Any documents addressed to the CFR Court must be filed directly with the Court.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 C.F.R. § 4.1, this criminal complaint is docketed but dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

Kathryn A. Lynn
Chief Administrative Judge

Anita Vogt
Administrative Judge